## RESOLUTION NO.

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY PLAN TO END HOMELESSNESS IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY 2015-2020

WHEREAS, Homelessness continues to be a pressing issue for Santa Clara County. The 2015 Homeless Census shows that homelessness in the southern part of the County is on the rise. According to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) 2014 Annual Homeless Assessment Report, among HUDs Continuums of Care, Santa Clara County has:

- the seventh largest number of homeless persons on any given night;
- the third largest number of chronically homeless persons;
- the fourth largest number of homeless individuals;
- the fourth largest number of unaccompanied homeless youth; and
- the fifth largest number of homeless veterans.

WHEREAS, to respond to this crisis Destination Home and its partners have been working towards a comprehensive, regional response to homelessness for over a decade. D:H is a public-private partnership serving as the backbone organization for collective impact strategies to reduce homelessness in Santa Clara County. In this role, D:H drives and aligns resources to end homelessness and is improving how systems work together to intervene with episodic and situational homeless individuals and families. Major points of emphasis in the Community Plan include:

- 1. Disrupt the System Develop strategies and innovative prototypes that transform the systems related to housing homeless people.
- 2. Build the Solution Secure the funding needed to provide 6,000 housing opportunities with services to those who are homeless and those at risk of homelessness.
- 3. Serve the Person Adopt an approach that recognizes the need for client-centered strategies with different responses for different levels of need and different groups, targeting resources to the specific individual or household.

WHEREAS, the City Council's endorsement of the Community Plan would continue to advance the goal of supporting regional strategies in collaboration with other jurisdictions and agencies to end and prevent homelessness by creating permanent housing solutions. The Santa Clara County Community Plan focuses on developing 6,000 housing opportunities for homeless persons and families aligns with the City's Housing Element goals to 1) provide adequate housing for groups with special needs and 2) maintain a range of housing types for all age groups, served by transit, recreational amenities, shopping, and health and personal services, that allow residents to age in place;

WHEREAS, endorsing the plan does not commit the City of Morgan Hill to any one component of the Plan, but rather encourages Staff to make recommendations to Council to facilitate the ways in which Morgan Hill can contribute in a proactive manner that is conducive to the resources available in Morgan Hill. Staff may return to the City Council with policy making decisions at a later time. If necessary, these items will relate to specific actions and will be brought forth on an individual basis.

WHEREAS, the consideration by City Council of the adoption of this Resolution has been duly noticed pursuant to applicable laws and has been placed upon the City Council Meeting Agenda on the date set forth in the Staff Report, or to such date that the City Council may have continued or deferred consideration of this Resolution, and on such date the City Council conducted a duly noticed public meeting at which meeting the City Council provided members of the public an opportunity to comment and be heard and considered any and all testimony and other evidence provided in connection with the adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the activities allowed under this Resolution do not constitute a project under the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City Council determines that adoption of this Resolution is in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE, RESOLVE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. <u>Recitals</u>. The City Council does hereby find, determine and resolve that all of the foregoing recitals are true and correct.
- <u>Section 2</u>. <u>Approval and Authorization</u>. The City Council does further resolve, order and/or direct as follows:
  - a. That the Council supports the Community Plan to End Homelessness in Santa Clara County 2015-2020, submitted for City Council consideration at its meeting of June 17, 2015, as described in the Staff Report to Council, the contents of which Staff Report entitled "Community Plan to End Homelessness" are incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Section 3</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill at a Regular Meeting held on the 17th day of June 2015 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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|                                       | Irma Torrez, CITY CLERK  |